

Comparison of Certain Key Features of Initiative 80 and City Alternative

	Initiative 80	City Alternative
Focus of Restoration Efforts	Creeks (i.e, watercourses with year round flow and/or that potentially support or historically supported salmonids) and all their tributaries. Includes portions that have been piped, culverted, chanelized or altered	Fresh water and marine habitat areas that will provide benefit to ESA listed Chinook and other species
Funding and Funding Source	City must maintain current creek restoration levels (\$3-4 million/year). Additional funding source not specified. Places limit on “additional cost incurred by the public” at \$5 household and requires property owners businesses and institutions to also contribute up to “reasonably limited” levels	Assumes current funding for restoration (average of \$4 million/year) will be maintained and establishes an additional 1% Utility tax on the City’s water, drainage and wastewater utilities that raises approximately \$2.4 million/year for a total \$6.4 million/year.
Private Sector Requirements	<p>Requires developers to restore creeks, remove fish barriers and take other restorative actions in connection with “major creek-side developments” (commercial, industrial, multi-family residential, mixed use, subdivision or short plat exceeding SEPA exemption thresholds on parcel over ½ acre containing or adjacent to a creek or its buffer) unless exemption is granted under specified criteria.</p> <p>Prohibits future development (including re-development) over creeks and buffers or in historic creek corridors of relocated, un-restorable creeks (or alternative corridor on same parcel) to preserve potential restoration and daylighting opportunities (requirements vary.)</p> <p>May apply retroactively, in some circumstances, to previously permitted/vested development.</p>	Imposes no new requirements on private development. Provides for City matching funds and other incentives to encourage private property owners to undertake voluntary restoration projects with public benefits. Property owners must comply with all current requirements.
City Requirements	<p>Requires City to adopt a long-term creek restoration plan and restore creeks on public property in accordance with that plan.</p> <p>Requires a plan for additional stormwater pollution, creek protection and shoreline master program regulations.</p> <p>Requires City compensation to private property owners where Initiative requirements result in unconstitutional taking or as deemed appropriate to create incentives for restoration.</p> <p>Requires education strategy for private property owners.</p> <p>Prohibits pesticide, herbicide and fungicide use on City properties within 200’ of creeks.</p>	<p>Provides for implementation of a multi-year capital program of specific projects to restore shoreline, lake, creek habitat areas meeting certain criteria Identifies over 20 specific projects for priority consideration</p> <p>Provides for the establishment of an education and involvement strategy for property owners/schools.</p> <p>Provides for additional efforts in Integrated Pest Management to reduce pesticide, herbicide, fungicide effects on in-city aquatic habitats.</p>
Oversight & Public Involvement	<p>City must establish public review and appeal process for all development proposals and exemption requests.</p> <p>Requires public participation and review of city long-term creek restoration plan</p>	<p>Establishes Citizen’s Oversight Committee to make recommendations on program elements and project selection and the use of City funding</p> <p>Provides for public review of the City’s program.</p>